

# Senate Watch

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## MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

### [SB 79](#) Jelinek

The bill would amend the Michigan Vehicle Code (MCL 257.223) to delete a requirement that a vehicle owner, upon receiving a registration certificate, sign the certificate with pen and ink in the space provided. A violation of this requirement is a civil infraction.

- IE was granted [no RC]

## THIRD READING

### [SB 838](#) Cassis

The bill would repeal Section 3d of the Use Tax Act immediately after the section takes effect on December 1, 2007. Section 3d extends the use tax to certain services and appropriates \$100,000 to the Department of Treasury for the implementation of the section's requirements.

- SB 838 was passed [RC 481: 23 yes, 15 no]

### [SB 682](#) McManus

The bill would amend several parts of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act (NREPA) to do the following:

- Establish an agricultural pesticide dealer license, with an annual license application fee of \$100.
- Prohibit a person (other than a restricted use pesticide dealer) from distributing, selling, or

offering for sale agricultural pesticides except as authorized under an annual agricultural pesticide dealer's license for each place of business.

- Permit the Director of the Michigan Department of Agriculture (MDA) to deny, revoke, or suspend an agricultural pesticide dealer license or a restricted use pesticide dealer license for any violation of Part 83 (Pesticide Control) of NREPA or an order issued under that part, or for a conviction under Part 83, a Federal pesticide law, or a pesticide law of a reciprocating state.
- Require an agricultural pesticide dealer or restricted use pesticide dealer operating from outside the State to maintain a registered office and a resident agent located in Michigan, and to file the name, address, and telephone number of that agent with the MDA.
- Require an agricultural pesticide dealer or a restricted use pesticide dealer who distributed an agricultural pesticide or restricted use pesticide into the State to report certain information regarding that distribution to the agricultural pesticide registrant.
- Delay from December 31, 2010, to December 31, 2013, the sunset on groundwater protection fees paid by pesticide and fertilizer registrants and licensees.

- SB 682 was passed [RC 476: 38 yes, 0 no]

## SJR I

### **Mc Manus**

The joint resolution would delete the following from the State Constitution:

- A requirement that an elector have property assessed for any ad valorem tax in a district or territory to be affected by an election, or be married to a person who does, in order to be qualified to vote.
- The formula for reapportioning State senatorial and representative districts.
- Provisions that establish a Commission on Legislative Apportionment.
- Term limit requirements for members of the U.S. House of Representatives and Senate.
- Language stating that unreasonable search and seizure provisions are not to be construed to bar from evidence in criminal proceedings any drug, firearm, bomb, explosive, or any other dangerous weapon, seized by a peace officer outside the curtilage of any dwelling house.

- McManus S-4 was adopted
- SJR I was adopted [RC 477: 27 yes, 3 no, 8 not voting]
- Motion to reconsideration – postpone for the day failed [RC 478: 16 yes, 22 no]
- The vote by which SJR I was adopted was reconsidered [RC 479: 17 yes, 21 no]

## **GENERAL ORDERS – (TO PASSAGE)**

### SB 838

#### **Cassis**

The bill would repeal Section 3d of the Use Tax Act immediately after the section takes effect on December 1, 2007. Section 3d extends the use tax to certain services and appropriates \$100,000 to the Department of Treasury for the implementation of the section's requirements.

- Committee substitute S-1 adopted
- SB 838 advanced to 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading

- Prusi-1 was not adopted [RC 480: 16 yes, 21 no, 1 not voting]
- SB 838 was passed [RC]

## **HB 4494**      **Cushingberry**

House Bill 4494 (H-1) would authorize supplemental appropriations for fiscal year (FY) 2006-07. The supplemental appropriations contained in the bill are based on recommendations submitted to the Legislature by the Office of the State Budget. House Bill 4494 (H-1) contains \$8.0 million of Gross appropriations and \$2.9 million of General Fund/General Purpose (GF/GP) appropriations. The bill contains line-item appropriations for the Departments of Agriculture, Labor and Economic Growth, and Natural Resources.

- Hardiman-1 was adopted
- HB 4494 advanced to the order of 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading
- Jacobs-1 was not adopted
- HB 4494 was [RC 475: 38 yes, 0 no]
- IE was granted [no RC]

## **GENERAL ORDERS**

### **SB 572**      **Barcia**

The bill would amend Part 401 (Wildlife Conservation) of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act to do the following:

- Authorize the Natural Resources Commission (NRC) to issue an order regulating the taking of game with a modified bow that may be shot with one arm.
- Allow revocation of the permit of a person convicted of violating the permit, and require the disposal of any animal or animal parts in his or her possession.

- SB 572 advanced to the order of 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading